

FOOD TO BE SOVIET'S REAL TEST OF POWER

Specter of Starvation Stalks Threatening Through
Whole of Russia—Siberia Stripped of Grain Supplies;
Half Crop in Southern Part, Due to Drought

By the Associated Press

Viborg, Finland, Russian Frontier, Aug. 11.—Finished with success and confidence of Poland's defeat, Soviet Russia faces the approaching winter with the grim problem of food as its supreme test of power. From the far reaches of the Finnish frontier—4000 miles of undisturbed territory—the specter of starvation stalks threatening as the far reaches give up a cry for the necessities of life from a people whose hearts, long sturdy in the struggle for a "new day," are forced to heed the demands of want.

The Associated Press correspondent, just arrived here, has observed these conditions in crossing Russia and Siberia all the way from Vladivostok to Moscow and Petrograd. His arrival in Moscow followed deportation from Moscow because the authorities had not given advance authorization for crossing Siberia.

In Finnish surroundings he is enabled to send an unexpurgated account of the straits of the Russian people as hurriedly observed while he and a number of refugees made the first trip of American across Russia in the last two years.

Cry For Food Everywhere

Everywhere in all this trip from one end of Russia to the other the cry for food and clothing was heard. It was voiced by the old Russian peasant type at the Chinese frontier, where the correspondent was first brought into Russian territory.

It was heard again through the heart of Russia, where the crews of locomotives were clad in ragged garments, and where the black bread of the bakers of the cities was being sold for a few pennies. As they stood their engines they begged for black bread from the little group of foreign refugees who were passengers on the train being sent from Moscow to the Finnish frontier.

The appeal for the necessities of living is universal from the people, except from the extra rationed class of higher military and civil government authorities.

To Nikolai Lenin, the Soviet president himself, according to the accepted report in Moscow, is attributed the statement that the Russian people cannot pass through another winter like the last. Even now stories are circulating of popular consumption that Lenin himself is suffering for want of food because of his insistence upon sharing the plight of the people. The story goes that he refuses more than his allotted share of black bread—three-eighths of a pound daily—which is the ration today issued to the civilian population in Moscow.

Army Well Disciplined

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is continually draining the food stocks, while everywhere women, girls and boys are replacing men at all form of labor.

The spectacle of stringency is complete, with hundreds of dorman factory stacks, from the small districts of Irkutsk and Omak through the larger industrial centers of the Urals to the great manufacturing district of Moscow, standing as monuments to an industrial structure bearing all the appearances of having broken down.

Working Armies' a Failure

Observers of the trans-Russian journey commented on the aspect of the situation in view of a statement credited to Leon Trotsky, minister of war, in addressing the seventh convention of all-Russian commissars. Trotsky was quoted as saying that the Bolshevik "working armies" heralded as units which would rebuild Russia's industrial life, had failed where skilled labor was needed, their usefulness being limited to the rougher forces of labor, such as cleaning cities and keeping up the railway right of ways.

The output of the few factories which are working is absorbed by the army, leaving nothing, it is declared, to exchange with the agricultural population for their products. The plan for such exchange, handled by the government, is declared to have been a basic point in the Bolshevik program.

Continued regulation of grain and livestock in return for alleged worthless paper money instead of supplies is said to have made the agricultural population the greatest potential enemy of bolshevism. Observers say that if this condition is not remedied it promises to cause the ultimate downfall of the regime despite its militaristic control.

Barter Is Only Exchange

As a result of the deluge of paper money throughout Russia and Siberia, a system of barter which is carried on illegally is the only means of exchange. Small quantities of food supplies compensate for the shortage in government rations and the inequality in their distribution.

Greater success seems to have attended reorganization of the railroad transportation system, especially in passenger traffic, than any other branch of the industrial life. From Verkhne-Udinsk, the capital of the Bolshevik's far eastern buffer state, a traveler can ride into Moscow or Petrograd in ten days, traveling from Omak on Russian Pullmans if he is on business or is especially privileged.

The cost of the 4000-mile trip across Russia is 1000 rubles. The sum is less than one American dollar, but also is less than the amount needed at scores of trans-Siberian stations to buy a pound of meat or salt from the peasants who sell food at the railroad depots.

however, declare that, in the face of actualities, such instruction serves only to convince the people more thoroughly of the impossibility of realizing their needs through methods such as they are now undergoing under a dictatorship.

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